



ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY

PREFERRED DRUG LIST BY THERAPEUTIC CATEGORY

As a result of legislation passed by the Alabama State Legislature in June 2003, the Alabama Medicaid Agency will use a mandatory Preferred Drug List, effective October 1, 2003. Brand preferred drugs, generics (with the exception of carisoprodol products, lindane, and pantoprazole) and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs covered by Medicaid will be available without prior approval. If a non-preferred drug is ordered, the practitioner will need to obtain prior authorization (PA). If approval is given to dispense the non-preferred drug, an authorization number will be provided. Antipsychotic and HIV/AIDS drugs are exempt from this requirement.

Below is a list of brand preferred products on the PDL. The drug name denotes all dosage forms and strengths unless noted. An asterisk (*) denotes a generic is available in at least one dosage form or strength. All covered OTC drugs and generic products (unless otherwise specified) are considered preferred. For a more complete list including non-preferred brands and more information concerning the PDL, please visit our website at www.medicaid.alabama.gov.

Anti-infective Agents

Adamantanes
All covered generics and OTCs

Amebicides
All covered generics and OTCs

Aminoglycosides
All covered generics and OTCs

Anthelmintics
All covered generics and OTCs

Antifungals
Gris-Peg
All covered generics and OTCs

Antimalarials
Daraprim
All covered generics and OTCs

Antituberculosis Agents
All covered generics and OTCs

Cephalosporins
All covered generics and OTCs

Chloramphenicol
All covered generics and OTCs

Interferons
Infergen Pegasys
All covered generics and OTCs

Macrolides
All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antibacterials
Cleocin (oral only)*
All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antimycobacterials
All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antiprotozoals
All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antivirals
All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous B-Lactams
All covered generics and OTCs

Neuraminidase Inhibitors
Relenza† Tamiflu†
All covered generics and OTCs

Nucleosides and Nucleotides
All covered generics and OTCs

Penicillins
Amoxil*
All covered generics and OTCs

Quinolones
All covered generics and OTCs

Sulfonamides
All covered generics and OTCs

Tetracyclines
All covered generics and OTCs

Urinary Anti-infectives
All covered generics and OTCs

Behavioral Health

Alzheimer's Agents
Aricept
All covered generics and OTCs

Antidepressants
Lexapro Luvox CR
All covered generics and OTCs

Cerebral Stimulants/Agents for ADD/ADHD-Short and Intermediate Acting
Dexedrine* Ritalin*
Focalin*
All covered generics and OTCs

Cerebral Stimulants/Agents for ADD/ADHD-Long Acting
Adderall XR* Focalin XR
Concerta Vyvanse
Daytrana
All covered generics and OTCs

Behavioral Health (continued)

Anxiolytics/Sedatives/Hypnotics: Barbiturates
All covered generics and OTCs

Anxiolytics/Sedatives/Hypnotics: Benzodiazepines
Diazepam
All covered generics and OTCs

Anxiolytics/Sedatives/Hypnotics: Miscellaneous
All covered generics and OTCs

Cardiovascular Health

ACE Inhibitors/Combos
Aceon*
All covered generics and OTCs

Angiotensin-II Receptor Antagonists/Combos
Avalide Diovan
Avapro Diovan HCT
Benicar Hyzaar
Benicar HCT Micardis
Cozaar Micardis HCT
All covered generics and OTCs

Alpha-Adrenergic Blocking Agents
All covered generics and OTCs

Antiarrhythmics
Norpace* Norpace CR*
All covered generics and OTCs

Beta-Blockers/Combos
All covered generics and OTCs

Calcium-Channel Blockers/Combos
Azor Exforge
DynaCirc CR
All covered generics and OTCs

Cardiotonics

Lanoxin
All covered generics and OTCs

Central Alpha-Agonists/Combos

All covered generics and OTCs

Direct Renin Inhibitors/Combos

All covered generics and OTCs

Direct Vasodilators/Combos

All covered generics and OTCs

Diuretics/Combos

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Cardiac Drugs

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Hypotensive Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Nitrates/Nitrites

Nitro-Bid
All covered generics and OTCs

Peripheral Adrenergic Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Platelet-Aggregation Inhibitors/Combos

All covered generics and OTCs

Bile Acid Sequestrants

All covered generics and OTCs

Cholesterol Absorption Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Fibric Acid Derivatives

All covered generics and OTCs

HMG CoA Reductase Inhibitors/Combos

Lescol Lescol XL
All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antilipemic Agents

Niacor Niaspan
All covered generics and OTCs

Diabetic Agents

Alpha-Glucosidase Inhibitors

Glyset
All covered generics and OTCs

Diabetic Agents (continued)

Amylinomimetics
All covered generics and OTCs

Biguanides
All covered generics and OTCs

Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 (DPP-4) Inhibitors
All covered generics and OTCs

Incretin Mimetics
All covered generics and OTCs

Insulins
Humalog Levemir
Lantus
All covered generics and OTCs

Meglitinides
Prandin
All covered generics and OTCs

Sulfonylureas
All covered generics and OTCs

Thiazolidinediones
Actos Avandia
All covered generics and OTCs

Antidiabetic Combination Agents
Avandaryl Avandamet
All covered generics and OTCs

EENT Preparations

Antiallergic Agents
Astelin Pataday
Astepro Patanase
Optivar* Patanol
All covered generics and OTCs

Antibacterials
AzaSite Neosporin*
Bactroban Nasal Poly-Pred
Blephamide Tobrex*
Blephamide S.O.P. Vigamox
Bleph-10*
All covered generics and OTCs

Intranasal Corticosteroids
Beconase AQ Nasonex
Nasacort AQ Veramyst
All covered generics and OTCs

Vasoconstrictors
Tyzine
All covered generics and OTCs

Gastrointestinal Agents

Antiemetics
All covered generics and OTCs

Proton-pump Inhibitors/Combos
Aciphex
All covered generics and OTCs
(generic pantoprazole requires a PA)

Pain Management/Autonomic Agents

Opiate Agonists
All covered generics and OTCs

Opiate Partial Agonists
All covered generics and OTCs

Selective Serotonin Agonists
Maxalt Treximet
Maxalt MLT
All covered generics and OTCs

Skeletal Muscle Relaxants
All covered generics and OTCs
(generic carisoprodol products require a PA)

Respiratory

Inhaled Corticosteroids/Combos
Advair Diskus Azmacort
Advair HFA Flovent Diskus
Aerobid Flovent HFA
Aerobid-M Qvar
Asmanex Twisthaler Symbicort
All covered generics and OTCs

Inhaled Antimuscarinics/Antispasmodics
Atrovent HFA Spiriva
All covered generics and OTCs

Leukotriene Modifiers
Accolate Singulair
All covered generics and OTCs

Mast-cell Stabilizers
All covered generics and OTCs

Smooth Muscle Relaxants/Combos
All covered generics and OTCs

Beta-Adrenergic Agonists/Combos
Combivent Proventil HFA
Foradil Serevent Diskus
Maxair Autohaler Ventolin HFA
ProAir HFA Xopenex HFA
All covered generics and OTCs

Skin and Mucous Membrane Agents

Antibacterials
All covered generics and OTCs

Antivirals
Zovirax
All covered generics and OTCs

Antifungals
All covered generics and OTCs

Scabicides and Pediculicides
Eurax
All covered generics and OTCs
(generic lindane requires a PA)

Miscellaneous Local Anti-infectives
Phisohex
All covered generics and OTCs

Anti-inflammatory Agents
Capex Shampoo
Derma-Smoother/FS
All covered generics and OTCs

Antipruritics and Local Anesthetics
Pramox
All covered generics and OTCs

Astringents
All covered generics and OTCs

Keratolytics
All covered generics and OTCs

Keratoplastics
All covered generics and OTCs

Misc Skin and Mucous Membrane Agents
Elidel Protopic
All covered generics and OTCs

Women's Health

Estrogens
Cenestin
Menest
Premarin (tabs only)
All covered generics and OTCs

Prenatal Vitamins
All covered generics and OTCs

†The preferred status of this product is contingent upon statewide influenza epidemiology status as reported by the CDC.